periodically by a Committee of Secretaries. The list undergoes changes frequently because some companies pay off the dues and their names get deleted from the list while some others whose accumulated arrears cross the cut-off limit of Rs. 5 crores or 5 per cent of the tax paid for the period concerned whichever is higher, get into the list.

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2348. **श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव :**
श्री राम चन्द्र विकल :

क्या वस्त्र मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि 27 अक्तूबर, 1987 को उनके विभाग की हिन्दी सलाहकार समिति की बैठक में उनके अधीन कार्यरत 12 संस्थानों में से केवल दो संस्थानों के अध्यक्ष और प्रबन्ध निदेशक उपस्थित थे और शेष संस्थानों के अधिकारी न तो उपस्थित थे और न ही उन्होंने बैठक में उपस्थित न होने के लिये कारणों को स्पष्ट करते हुए मंत्री या सचिव महोदय को कोई सूचना दी थी, हांलांकि विभाग ने इस बैठक में भाग लेने के लिये इन सभी संस्थानों को लिखा था ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि उनमें से कुछ ने राज भाषा अधिनियम के उपबन्धों का पालन नहीं किया है और "क" तथा "ख" क्षेत्रों के संबंध में अधिकांश मूल पत्राचार अंग्रेजी में किया है ;

(घ) क्या वह भी सच है कि इन 12 संस्थानों के प्रमुखों ने कुछ अपवादों को छोड़कर राजभाषा के कार्यान्वयन में बाधायें डाली हैं ; और

(ङ) इस संबंध में स्थिति को सुधारने के लिये मंत्रालय कौन-कौन से विशिष्ट कदम उठाने का विचार रखता है ?

वस्त्र मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री एस० कृष्ण कुमार): (क) और (ख) 27-10-87 को हुई वस्त्र मंत्रालय की हिन्दी सलाहकार समिति की बैठक में, मंत्रालय के नियन्त्रणाधीन 14 संगठनों में से तीन संगठनों के अध्यक्ष उपस्थित थे। अन्य संगठनों के अध्यक्ष अन्य महत्वपूर्ण निश्चित कार्यों/बैठकों, आकस्मिक कार्यों आदि जैसे कुछ अपरिहार्य कारणों से बैठक में भाग नहीं ले सके।

(ग) से (ङ) संगठन राजभाषा अधिनियम के प्रावधानों तथा हिन्दी के प्रगामी प्रयोग से संबंधित वार्षिक कार्यक्रम को कार्यान्वित करने के लिये निरन्तर प्रयास करते रहे हैं, ताकि लक्ष्य प्राप्त किये जा सकें। तथापि पर्याप्त प्रशिक्षित स्टाफ व यांत्रिक साधनों के और कुछ क्षेत्रों में व्यापार की विशेष अपेक्षाओं के अभाव में प्रगति धीमी रही है। मंत्रालय इस संगठनों से निरन्तर सम्पक बनाये रखता है और स्थिति को सुधारने के लिये उन्हें उपयुक्त सलाह देता है।

Jute price speculation

2449. SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHAWAHA:
SHRI J. P. GOYAL;

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state;

(a) what are the details of the speculation of jute prices during the last six months (till date) and its impact on the jute industry in the country;

(b) in what manner the raw jute price speculations have affected the country in bidding for global tenders for jute goods to be floated by countries like Egypt and Sudan; and

(c) the measures contemplated by Gov ernment to check jute price speculation for revival of the Indian jute industry and also to bid for blobal tenders?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR); (a) to (c) Hed-ges futures trding in raw jute stands prohibited since September, 1964. The Government have also created a buffer stock for raw jute tor disciplining the market flucluaion. Prices ot" raw jute arc ruling at or above the statutory minimum levels.in order to ensure that India's participation in global tenders is not adversely affected by speculation in raw jute prices, the market trends are continuously monitored and fluctuations in Prices are kept under control through various measures.

Holding of the posts of directors in foreign firms by Scindias

2450. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA; Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that Shri Madhav Rao Scindia and Smt. Vijaya Raje Scindia were Directors of M|S. P. M. Engines Ltd., U.K., M|s. F. H. Schule, GmbH and Radley Cotton Mills Ltd. of Canada;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Directorship in the above companies was because Scindia's Trust in U.K. had advanced a large amount as loan to these firms;

(c) whether RBI permission was taken for becoming Directors in foreign compa nies and also for extending loans given to these companies; and

(d) if not, whether this amounts to violation of Sections 25 and 27 of FERA 1973?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI): (a) to (d) According to information available with Government Shri Madhav Rao Scindia was a director in three companies, viz. M|s. F. H. Schule. GmbH, West Oer-many, M|s. Radley Cotton Mills Ltd., Canada and M|s. Fort Investments Ltd . Sri Lanka. Smt. Vijaya Raje Scindia was. a director of M|s. Fort Investments Ltd. Regarding PM Engines Ltd., no information is available.

Permission to indain residents for hold ing directorship of concerns outside lndia is being given by the Central Government under Section 27, Foreign Exchange Regulation Act, 1973'.

Shri Scindia had informed the Government in June, 1975 of his directorships in the above companies and sought permission for continuing to hold these directorships. Shri Scindia informed RBI that he ceases to be a director of M|s. F. H. Schule, GmbH in 1979 and he resigned from the directorship of the other two companies in December, 1984 on becoming ' a Minister. Smt. Vijaya Raje Scindi was given permission of the Governmen in 1977 for associating as a director of M's, Fort Investments Ltd. Sri Lanka.

The records of RBI reveal that the solicitors of Shri Scindia had informed RBI in 1971 that all the estate and assets of Shri Jiwajirao Scindia in U.K. were vested in English Administrators of the estate. The division of the assets vested in English administrators could not be resolved for want of consensus among legal heirs. The annual returns of foreign currency balances and other assets in London have been submitted to RBI for the period upto 31st March, 1985.

Demonstration by Mother Dairy Workers' Welfare Union

2451. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH; Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Mother Dairy Workers' Welfare Union, Delhi had demonstrated at Trilokpuri against S.I. (Sardar Gur-deep Singh) for harassment raiding of houses of 21 Mother Dairy employee? around 10-11 P.M. on 7th September. ? 1987 and for rounding up without warrant and for keeping them locked up, and

(b) if so, whether the irresponsible and guilty police Inspector has been punished on the basis of FIR|MLC lodged?